

II. Listing of Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An air-bag comprising, the air-bag defining at least one inflatable region, the air-bag being provided with a gas supply duct extending into the air-bag, the gas supply duct being formed of a flexible material and being provided with at least one aperture therein through which an inflatable gas may flow into the said at least one inflatable region of the air-bag, the said at least one aperture being provided with a reinforcement reinforcing the periphery of the aperture.

2. (Original) An air-bag according to Claim 1, wherein the flexible material comprises fabric or a plastic material.

3. (Original) An air-bag according to Claim 1, wherein the flexible material comprises foil.

4. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any preceding~~ Claim 1 wherein the gas supply duct is of an elongate form.

5. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any one of the preceding Claims,~~ Claim 1 wherein the gas supply duct is provided with a plurality of ~~said the~~ apertures, each aperture of the apertures being associated with a reinforcement.

6. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any one of the preceding Claims~~ Claim 1 wherein the ~~or each aperture~~ each of the apertures is provided with a respective reinforcement.

7. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any one of the preceding Claims,~~ Claim 1 wherein the ~~or each the~~ reinforcement is stitching provided in the flexible material forming the gas supply duct.

8. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to Claim 7 wherein the ~~or each~~ reinforcement comprises a length of thread extending across the ~~or each~~ respective aperture so as to tie together opposing parts of the ~~or each~~ aperture.

9. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~Claim 7~~ Claim 1 wherein the reinforcement ~~for the or each aperture is a respective~~ comprises an annular reinforcing element.

10. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~Claim 5~~ Claim 1 wherein the reinforcement is a single reinforcing element defining a plurality of apertures.

11. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 6 or 10~~ Claim 9 wherein the ~~or each~~ reinforcing element is adhered to the flexible material.

12. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any one of the Claims 4 to 6, or 10 or 11~~ Claim 9 wherein the ~~or each~~ reinforcing element is formed of fabric.

13. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to Claim 11 wherein the ~~or each~~ reinforcing element is a region of adhesive which also bonds parts of the flexible material together to form the gas supply duct.

14. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to Claim ~~11 or~~ 13 wherein the ~~or each~~ aperture ~~takes~~ is in the form of a slit through the flexible material and the adhesive.

15. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~any of the preceding Claims~~ Claim 1 wherein the air-bag defines a plurality of inflatable regions or chambers.

16. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~Claim 15~~ Claim 1 wherein the air-bag is an inflatable curtain, the gas supply duct being positioned to supply gas to each of the inflatable regions or chambers.